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JP-A 62-196118 is discussed on page 2 in the specification of the above-identified application and an English language abstract is submitted herewith.

JP-B 47-3917, JP-B 48-4465, JP-A 57-51426, JP-B 3-65775, and JP-A 10-217307 are discussed on page 3 in the specification of the above-identified application and English language abstracts are submitted herewith.

JP-A 54-8672 and JP-A 5-177702 are discussed on page 16 in the specification of the above-identified application and English language abstracts are submitted herewith.

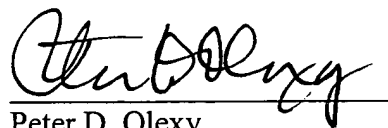
JP-A 62-189133 is discussed on page 20 in the specification of the above-identified application and an English language abstract is submitted herewith.

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		JP	62-196118	A	08-29-1987	Teijin Limited	Abstract
		JP	47-3917		02-03-1972	Unitika Ltd.	Claims 1 & 2
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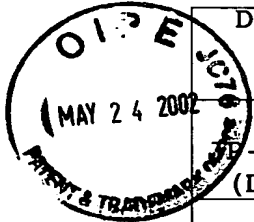
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JP-A-62-196118 (Description & ISR)		X	-
JP-B-47-3917		-	X
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JP-A-57-51426		X	-
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ISR = International Search Report

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